

SESSION AT NILO

Nineteenth Annual Meeting of
Teachers' Union.

SOME SUMMER SCHOOL LESSONS

Reviews of Notable Lectures Given.
Interest in the Kindergarten.
Papers.

(Special Correspondence.)

The nineteenth meeting of the Nilo Teachers' Union was held in the Union school on the 15th of October. The program had been arranged by Miss Lillioe Hapai, Miss Hill and Mr. McClellan.

Rev. Desha opened with prayer, after which ten girls from the Nilo School sang a chorus.

Miss Dillon had a paper on the kindergarten work of the summer school. She opened with a strong eulogy on Miss Allen's personality and her great enthusiasm as a kindergarten teacher. Teaching children is not her life work but her very life. Such is not a matter of patience, but sympathy. Progressive kindergarten work is threatened by too great a record from the time when grown-up people only had rights to a time of "children's rights" alone. A wise kindergarten has too much love for "the little ones" to indulge them in what must inevitably bring suffering to themselves and others. They should not be shielded from the consequences of their own wrong doing and if need be let them find out for themselves that "the way of transgressors is hard." An ounce of wise training and guidance does more good than a pound of punishment. Co-operation of parents should be sought to get the best results from the work. Self-consciousness must be trained away. Do not tire little ones in insisting on grammatical construction. Kindergartens should be artistically decorated, but not profusely. One picture at a time is best as it secures undivided attention.

A paper on Col. Parker's lectures was read by Miss Coan. Before coming to Honolulu he had spent a year in trying to find the educational needs of our island people. If he could help to further education in Hawaii it would repay only in small part the debt of gratitude the United States owes to the Hawaiian Islands, for sending her such a noble educator as Gen. Armstrong. He believes firmly in the individuality of teachers. Methods should be simple and adapted to the circumstances of the pupil whom the teacher must thoroughly know. Communion with nature should be the basis of all education. From such an intercourse the child when he enters school possesses the elements of all the sciences. The teacher's sphere is to perceive this and lead the child onward in the path of nature already entered.

Images must be created in the mind and then the child will talk because he wants to express himself. The written word is associated with the image which makes reading simply imaging. The meaning of a word is the image it recalls. Schools should have their own printing press and make their own reading material.

The study of geography is a wide field and important and should be pursued in some such way as suggested by the course of study for Hawaiian Public Schools. In the line of excursions teachers here have rare opportunities to introduce even the youngest to a systematic study of the natural sciences. Every school and family should have a sand pile.

Industrial work was insisted upon. Let the children make such things as they are interested in. Col. Parker had a display of a large number of articles made, drawn or painted by the pupils of Chicago Normal school.

The Gen. Armstrong Industrial Association, of which Mr. Wood of Honolulu is president and Miss Deyo of Nilo vice president, was organized to further this work in the schools.

All that was said by Col. Parker expressed deep feeling and a most earnest desire to impress the vital importance of knowing the soul of the child. Mrs. K. A. Lyman entertained the meeting with a Hawaiian Legend about Olialaka and Uakuhina of Oia, and the sister trees into which they were transformed.

Miss Deyo read a paper which was a terse summary of Mrs. Parker's work at the Summer School. The true educator is careful to see that the child develops physically as well as mentally. Vigorous out-door life is essential to the proper development of the tenement of the soul, which voices itself through the body. Dress is too often allowed to interfere with natural expression. Many physical and vocal defects can be remedied by bringing into proper action muscles which have been unused. Even a hollow and narrow chest by determined effort may acquire that prominence which is the exponent of the soul within. The aesthetic side of childhood is stimulated into activity by refined associations, hence the importance of culture in teachers.

The pupils of the Union school sang in chorus "Hawaii Fair," which was very much appreciated.

Harriet Hapai gave a recitation entitled "School Girls' Trials."

An interesting and instructive paper on citizenship was read by Mr. Levi Lyman. He who trains boys and girls to be good citizens is pursuing a noble calling. To know the rights of citizenship, how enforced and protected, how rights if violated or trampled upon by others, and how offenders may be deprived of these rights are the chief aims in studying the subject. This leads to a study of the civil govern-

ment of the country. A short might be made by taking up for study some subject which the community is interested in, such as poisons and the laws that govern road-making and main tenance, rates of traffic, etc. From this pupils will grasp the idea of government. These examples from the school room from which it will be seen that it is necessary to have a person at the head of affairs. Because the work of governing a country is too great for one classification and sub-classification of the work is resorted to, one man at the head of each department. Explain the functions of the different departments as finance, interior, foreign, justice, and how each conducts its affairs. Regarding the Attorney General's department, show how his work is subdivided. Under him are respectively the marshal, sheriffs and policemen. The youth should learn to respect these officers, who stand guard over public rights.

Live topics of the day should be discussed under each department. At election time the subject of voting could be explained. Different forms of government will follow after our own is understood.

This work should commence in the lowest grade in the primary and be continued as the pupils can grasp the subject. By keeping a high ideal before the youth they will be led to regard the nation's honor as their own—the one thing above all others the most sacred.

The officers for the ensuing year are: Mrs. W. Ray, president; Miss Deyo, vice president, and Mr. McClellan, secretary. December 9th is the date of the next meeting. Mr. C. Smith, Miss Lyman and Miss McClellan compose the program committee.

A CRITICAL TIME.

DURING THE BATTLE
OF SANTIAGO.Sick or Well, a Rush
Night and Day.

The Packers at the Battle of Santiago de Cuba Were All Heroes. There Heroic Efforts in Getting Ammunition and Rations to the Front saved the Day.

P. E. Butler, of pack-train No. 2, writing from Santiago, De Cuba, on July 26th, says: "We all had diarrhoea in more or less violent form, and when we landed we had no time to see a doctor, for it was a case of rush and rush night and day to keep the troops supplied with ammunition and rations, but thanks to Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, we were able to keep at work and keep our health; in fact, I sincerely believe that at one critical time this medicine was the indirect saviour of our army, for if the packers had been unable to work there would have been no way of getting supplies to the front. There were no roads that a wagon train could use. My comrade and myself had the good fortune to lay in a supply of this medicine for our pack-train before we left Tampa, and I know in four cases it absolutely saved life."

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After the Counterfeiter.

A warrant is out for the arrest of Ed. Aldrich, an ex-special police, on the charge of counterfeiting Hawaiian treasury notes. A complete plant for making the bogus bills was found in his room yesterday. Soon after the warrant was issued Aldrich disappeared. A careful police search is being made for him.

MOTHERS, DON'T SCOLD.

Your Children—They Are Not to Blame Try to Help Them.

Many a mother on reading this will appreciate the boon the information will bring. Thousands of children have been scolded time and again for a so-called habit when they are not to blame. Wet beds have been the result of the little ones being scolded or scolding could prevent a repetition. If mothers only knew their little boys and girls were not to blame—that they cannot help it. It is not a habit, it is simply weak kidneys. At last a preparation has been found, so gentle in its action that the youngest child can take it. We refer to Doan's Backache Kidney Pills, and when the public know it there need be nothing but sweet, dry beds for the children and no more need for scolding. Here is proof of our statement: Mrs. J. Keene, of No. 36 Minnesota street, Cleveland, O., says: "I have a little girl who is now 11 years of age. Since she was 5 years old she has been greatly troubled with an annoying urinary weakness, particularly observable at night when she was asleep. I had her treated by physicians, but their medicine did not seem to help her any. Always on the look out for something which might benefit her, explains how I happened to get a box of Doan's Backache Kidney Pills. She no longer has that weakness, the power of control being apparently corrected. We feel very much pleased at the result, and the pills are responsible for the benefit."

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NOTE NOT READ

Gen. King Closes Correspondence
With Judge Wilcox

MAGISTRATE'S LETTER SENT BACK

Military Officer Declares an Issue.
Must Mean Washington—The
Note Written in Vain.

The correspondence between Gen. Chas. King and Magistrate Wilcox came to a conclusion yesterday with an abruptness of a character slightly different from the decisive termination that had been anticipated by this paper in the morning. Quite early in the forenoon Gen. King sent the following to the judicial man at the Station House:

Headquarters District of Hawaii, Honolulu, H. I., Oct. 21, 1895.
Honorable W. Luther Wilcox, District Magistrate.

Sir: I have your letter of the 20th, in which you say you have "nothing to add or retract from the communication," forwarded October 18th.

I deeply regret that at this stage of our national relations, an official of the Hawaiian Government should assume that from an official covert he has the right to issue false and defamatory utterances concerning the commanding general of the United States forces here stationed, but your reply to a courteous letter removes all once the matter from a personal to an official issue, and yourself from further consideration of.

CHARLES KING,
Brigadier General U. S. V., Commanding.

Gen. King had said on Thursday evening that he proposed to close the correspondence. He did and he didn't. Judge Wilcox has the last word in a way that will bear discussion and that might be made a subject for consideration by some of the town savants. The District Magistrate sent a note to Gen. King by a policeman, but the General sent an orderly back with the mislaid unopened and unread. However, Judge Wilcox gave this reply to the final of the military commander out for publication, and this is it:

Honolulu, Oct. 21, 1895.
Charles King, Brigadier General U. S. V., Commanding.

Dear Sir: I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated October 21, and in reply would say that I deny in toto having "issued any false and defamatory utterances concerning the commanding general of the United States forces here stationed."

Still entertaining the highest respect for the office held by you, I remain, yours respectfully,

W. LUTHER WILCOX,
District Magistrate of Honolulu,
Honolulu, H. I., Oct. 21, 1895.

Now, of course, Gen. King is not supposed to know that such a thing exists as this last note signed by Judge Wilcox and plainly expressing esteem for the office of Commander of the Military District of Hawaii. Gen. King alone knows whether or not the latest note of the Judge will be forwarded to Washington along with the other papers in the case.

The tilt between the General and the Judge continues to be the talk of the town. Gen. King intimates or rather asserts that the affair is no longer a personal matter. The inference is that he will call on Washington for interference or action and that the whole matter will be taken up by the War Department.

It is evident that when Gen. King penned the last phrase in his note of yesterday he meant what he said. Judge Wilcox continues in excellent spirits and "stands by" everything he has written on the subject.

John Manoa has issued a sweeping and final challenge to all local middle distance bicycle riders.

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